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In re application: O'Donnell, et al.
Serial No.: 09/921,803
Filed: 08/03/2001
Group Art Unit: 3654
Examiner: Kruer, Stefan
For: ELEVATOR BELT ASSEMBLY WITH WAXLESS COATING

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Dear Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action mailed on December 29, 2006. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

The Examiner's interpretation of the *Wilcox* reference is directly contrary to the express teachings of that reference. It appears from the Final Office Action that the Examiner is acknowledging that *Wilcox* discloses a wax. Therefore, it is impossible to interpret that reference as disclosing a waxless urethane.

The Examiner's comments on page 4 regarding a hypothetical limitation on Applicant's claimed waxless urethane based on a statement in the specification has no basis in law and does not provide any reason to maintain the rejections against Applicant's claims.

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There is no *prima facie* case of anticipation or obviousness against any of Applicant's claims. The rejections must be withdrawn and this case should be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLSON, GASKEY & OLDS

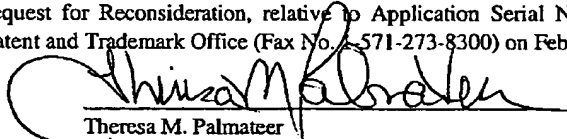
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